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Amendment

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Offered by:

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To: Subst. House Bill No. 6174

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE OR DISPENSING OF
CONTACT LENSES."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) (a) For purposes of this
4 section:

5 (1) "Cosmetic contact lenses" means lenses that have a spherical,
6 cylindrical or prismatic power or curvature and are intended to be
7 worn on the surface of the eye for cosmetic purposes; and

8 (2) "Specification" includes, but need not be limited to, the lens
9 manufacturer, base curve, diameter and power of the contact lenses.

10 (b) No person or entity shall be authorized to sell, dispense or
11 distribute cosmetic contact lenses to a person in this state unless one of
12 the following has occurred: (1) The patient transmits or mails to such

13 person or entity a specification for cosmetic contact lenses provided by
14 a licensed optician, optometrist or ophthalmologist; (2) a licensed
15 optician, optometrist or ophthalmologist, having obtained written
16 authorization from such patient, transmits orally, electronically or in
17 writing, to such person or entity a copy of a valid specification for
18 cosmetic contact lenses; or (3) a licensed optician, optometrist or
19 ophthalmologist, having obtained written authorization from such
20 patient, verifies orally or in writing, a specification for cosmetic contact
21 lenses to such person or entity.

22 (c) A licensed optician, optometrist or ophthalmologist may not
23 verify a specification, pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of
24 this section, if more than twenty-four months have elapsed from the
25 date of issuance of such specification.

26 (d) All communications and correspondence received by persons or
27 entities who sell, dispense or distribute cosmetic contact lenses to
28 patients in this state, shall be maintained for a period of two years
29 from the date of receipt, and shall be subject to all state and federal
30 confidentiality requirements."

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2003